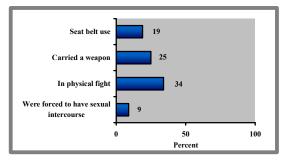
HOWARD COUNTY

2008 County Youth Health Survey Results

Summary

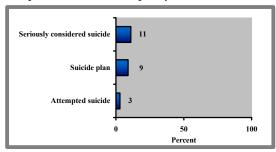
Unintentional Injuries and Violence

- **★** 19% never or rarely wore a seat belt
- **\$** 25% carried a weapon during the past month
- **4** 34% were in a physical fight in the past year
- 9% were forced to have sexual intercourse



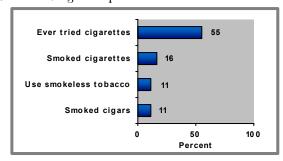
Depression and Suicide

- **★** 11% seriously considered attempting suicide in past year
- 9% made a suicide plan in the past year
- **\$** 3% attempted suicide in the past year



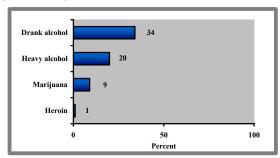
Tobacco Use

- **★** 55% ever tried cigarette smoking
- **★** 16% smoked cigarettes in the past month
- **1**1 used smokeless tobacco in past month
- **₡** 11% smoked cigars in past month



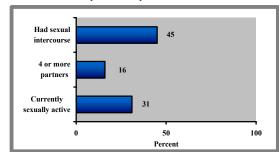
Alcohol and Illegal Drug Use

- **★** 34% drank alcohol in past month
- **\$** 20% were heavy alcohol users in past month
- 9% used marijuana in past month
- **★** 1% have tried heroin



Sexual Behaviors

- **4**5% have had sexual intercourse
- **★** 16% have had > 4 sexual partners
- **\$** 31% are currently sexually active



Weight and Diet

- **\$** 28% were overweight
- **★** 45% were trying to lose weight
- **4**0% ate fruit in the past 7 days
- **1**9% at green salad in the past 7 days

